

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hiroshi Tanaka et al.

Serial No.: 09/574,453

Filed: May 19, 2000

For: PRINT DESIGNATING METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND PRINTING METHOD  
AND APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Group Art Unit: 2624

Examiner: Pham, Thierry L.



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**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	<u>AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>PREV. PAID FOR</u>	<u>EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>FEE DUE</u>
Total Claims	31 -	20	= 11	x \$18.00	\$ 198.00
Indep. Claims	9 -	7	= 2	x \$86.00	\$ 172.00

**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**

**\$ 370.00**

A check in the amount of \$370.00 to cover the excess claim fees is attached hereto. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

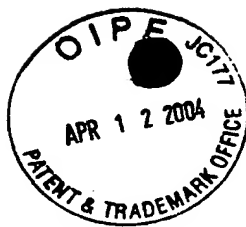
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 16 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 18 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 19 of this paper.

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